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In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant encloses herewith a copy of a Japanese Office Action in a counterpart application, citing JP-A-2001-253170, together with an English translation of at least that portion of the Office Action indicating the degree of relevance found by the foreign patent office. The Japanese office Action also cites JP-A-2002-086938, which is not submitted herewith because it was cited as part of an IDS submitted on November 1, 2005.

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